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1 Other Public Officials and Organizations Involved or Interviewed

ALLEN R. FELDE, 3307 North 22nd Street, advised that he had enlisted in the United States Marine Corps at Milwaukee, Wisconsin in October, 1956 and had met LEE HARVEY OSWALD as a United States Marine Corps recruit about October 23, 1956, while both of them were assigned to Platoon 2060, 2nd Battalion, M.C.R.D., San Diego, California. Both men were stationed at San Diego until January, 1957, at which time FELDE stated that they were transferred to Camp Pendleton for combat training. This combat training lasted until May, 1957 and during this time FELDE was assigned to the same squad of eight men, all of whom shared the same tent. During May, 1957, OSWALD and FELDE were transferred to the A & P School at Jacksonville, Florida and in approximately July, 1957 they were both sent to Aviation Electronics School in Memphis, Tennessee. During September, 1957 FELDE transferred to the Marine Corps Air Station at Cpa Locka, Florida and did not see OSWALD after this date.

During his association with OSWALD, FELDE recalled that OSWALD continually discussed politics in which topic none of the young Marines had any interest. OSWALD was an argumentative type of person and would frequently take the opposite side of an argument just for the sake of a debate. OSWALD was not popular with the other recruits, and his company was avoided if possible.

According to FELDE, OSWALD continually wrote to United States Senators about certain issues in which OSWALD believed strongly but which were not known to FELDE. One senator in particular who was in receipt of a number of OSWALD's letters was Senator THURMAN. FELDE remembered that OSWALD had expressed a dislike for people of wealth and that he championed the cause of the working man. On frequent occasions OSWALD found fault with EISENHOWER and TRUMAN and had been against the United States participation in the Korean War since OSWALD stated that one million men were killed in this war and nothing was accomplished. OSWALD had condemned EISENHOWER because of EISENHOWER's poor tactics in the utilization of a tank unit at the time of the invasion of Europe. FELDE had the impression at the time of his

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association with OSWALD that OSWALD was "left winged."

According to FELDE, at the time that the eight-man squad was assigned to Camp Pendleton and was permitted to take their first weekend leave, the entire group took a taxi cab to Tiajuana, Mexico, at which point OSWALD left the squad and was seen again only when the squad returned to Camp Pendleton. FELDE said this was also true of at least four weekend leaves that the men took in Los Angeles. OSWALD would ride with the group to Los Angeles in a bus but would leave the rest of the men at the bus depot and would not be observed again until the squad returned to Camp Pendleton.

FELDE recalled that OSWALD spent much of his time reading in Marine base libraries as well as in his quarters. During the time that he was at Camp Pendleton and also Jacksonville, Florida as well as Memphis, Tennessee, OSWALD was observed with a brown leatherette covered book with gold, Old English type letters about 250 pages thick, and a small blue book about 100 pages. FELDE did not know the exact nature of these books. FELDE stated that although he had been on the rifle range with OSWALD, he could not recall if he was a good shot or not. FELDE described OSWALD as being a good talker and having an excellent vocabularly.